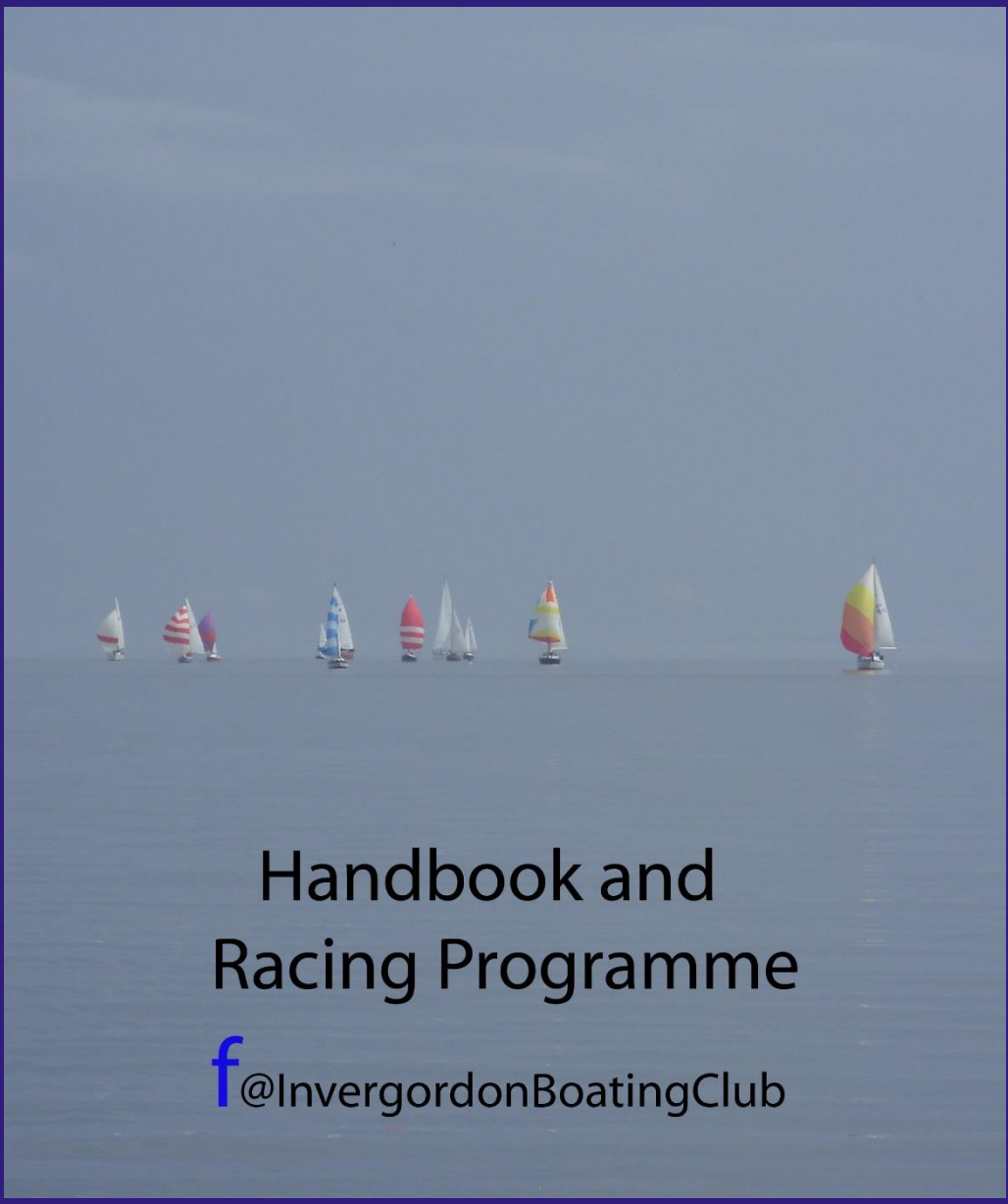
Invergordon Boating Club 2021



Handbook and Racing Programme

@InvergordonBoatingClub

Established 1901

INVERGORDON BOATING CLUB
ROSSKEEN SLIPWAY
INVERGORDON

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Committee members	Fred Fraser, Andrew Pennington, Keith Laird

SAFETY AFLOAT

RISK STATEMENT [Courtesy of RYA]

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
(b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
(c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
(d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
(e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
(f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
(g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;
(h) [*For offshore races*] They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew]; and
(i) [*If not covered elsewhere in the Notice of Race*] their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least [£2 million] against third party claims].

Mandatory IBC rules for competitors

All skippers must fill in the race entry sheet

All boats entered must have a name, preferably clearly marked on the hull and a sail number

ALL SAFETY BOAT CREWS AND PARICIPANTS IN

SAILING EVENTS MUST WEAR

PERSONAL BOUYANCY

IBC will not accept any liability for material damage to boats, personal injury or death

to participants sustained before, during or after an event

GENERAL INFORMATION

Clubhouse

House rules are displayed on the notice board downstairs. Members are requested to acquaint themselves with them and to ensure that the premises are kept in a clean and tidy condition. Specifically, wet sailing clothing should not be worn upstairs in the clubhouse.

All members must ensure that the lights and heaters are switched off before leaving the club house. The water supply should be shut off and drained during winter.

Security

Security is of paramount importance so please ensure that the clubhouse, boatshed and compound are locked after use. The compound is secured by a combination padlock. You should have been given the number when you joined the club but if you didn't receive it please contact any committee member. Clubhouse keys are available from the Treasurer for a £5 refundable deposit should you wish one. Inflatables & outboards may be stored in the shed, **but at the owners risk,** and not impeding the use of the boatshed by other members.

The compound and Club **must not** be left open while members visit their boats at moorings if no members are present ashore.

The Slipway

The slipway is for public use and is not owned or maintained by IBC. Launching trolleys & trailers should not be left in a manner which impedes or restricts access to other users.

Swinging Moorings

Members intending to lay moorings should ensure that the ground tackle and other components are of adequate strength for the intended vessel and the exposed nature of the anchorage. A copy of the club mooring guide is available from the moorings master, or from the web site, but the design is the sole responsibility of the owner.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Club Sailing Dinghies

The club owns several dinghies, which are primarily intended for sail training and tuition. Members can however use these boats for other activities subject approval by a member of the management committee.

Safety Boats

Rules regulating the use of the club boats are available in the race office.
Persons operating these vessels must comply with the rules and hold an appropriate RYA powerboat certificate or be of suitable experience.
Please ensure that CFPA is contacted if using a safety boat within the harbour area. (On VHF Channel 11 – call sign "Port Radio")

OOD Duties

The person or boat crew named for the above duties must accept full responsibility for providing that service whether carried out personally or deputized to a qualified replacement. Wherever possible, a team of 2 should be allocated for OOD. Dinghy crews must also provide a competent crew for Safety Boat duties and ensure the boat is suitably fuelled, equipped and ready for use.

- The rota for the OOD and Safety boat duties will be this Booklet and posted on the clubhouse notice board.
- No dinghy racing is permitted unless a suitably crewed, fuelled and equipped safety boat is in attendance.
- VHF Radio check should be carried out before any rescue boat crew goes on the water.
- Dinghy racing should be abandoned if weather conditions are unsuitable or deteriorate during a race. Three blasts on the starting horn indicate abandonment.
- **If a crisis arises beyond your control, do not delay in calling the emergency services – Dial 999 and ask for the coastguard.**

A 24 hour radio watch is maintained on VHF Channel 11, Call - sign "port radio". Local weather forecasts are broadcast daily at 0815/1730 and will be reported on request.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Rules
Racing will take place under the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, RYA prescriptions and class rules, supplemented by these sailing instructions.

Conditions of entry
The safety of a yacht /dinghy and her entire management including third party insurance shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or skipper. All skippers, and regular crews, competing in club events must be members of IBC.

All boats most have at least £2,000,000 third party insurance.

Handicaps
Skippers of Boats equipped with spinnakers, when entering series events, must declare at the outset their intentions to claim the handicap allowance for white sails only racing and complete all races in that series without spinnakers.

Course instructions
The OOD will communicate the course to be sailed either from the standard course card listed in this handbook or a course made up by the OOD to give the best racing for the wind direction. The course will be indicated on a board hung from the clubhouse veranda or on a notice in the clubhouse and communicated to skippers at sign on.
Courses shall only be shortened to finish the race at Mark 1 or A.

Starting procedures
In accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 – 2024 Rule 26

Recalls
Will be in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 Rule 29

Starting Penalties
Will be in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing Rule 30

Start/ finish line
Shall be defined by an imaginary line projected from the flagpole on the Clubhouse veranda to Race Mark 1 for keelboats and Race Mark A for dinghies.
Race Mark 1 may also be used for starting dinghies when there is insufficient water depth at Race Mark A and when indicated on a board at sign on

Taking a Penalty
A boat may take a Two-Turns Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing. She may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken rule 31.

Time Limits
Time limits will govern all racing. (See midweek start times) If no yacht finishes within the time limit, the race is null and void. If 1 or more yachts finish within the time limit, all other competing yachts must finish within 30 minutes of the time limit or retire.

Protests
Protests must be lodged with the OOD in writing in accordance with World Sailing – RRofS rule 61 within 1 hour of publication of the results.

Entering a Club Race
It is essential that all race skippers or deputies formally enter each race by 'signing on' in the entry book in the starter's box, before the race commences. Information entered must include boat name and handicap.

Declaration
On completion of every race, the skipper of each vessel or his/her nominee must sign the race entry sheet to confirm compliance with the rules. The OOD is permitted some discretion in implementing the rule.

Midweek start times – Start time for **all** races will be7.00PM. Dinghy time limit is 1.5 hours. Keel boat time limit is 2 hours. The time limits are minimums and may be increased at the race officer's discretion.

Scoring
Shall be as the Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A (variations below).
The Club Championship is scored by adding the place for each qualifying event, not each individual race. DNC in a qualifying Series/Event for the Championship is scored as the highest number of boats in a qualifying Series/Event for that Season + 1.
Average points from all races (excepting the duty race) are awarded for doing the safety boat or OOD when regularly sailing in that Series.

Dinghy Results --- Results for Dinghy races will normally be calculated using average lap times

Invergordon Boating Club – Events 2021

Day		Event	Time	OOD	Safety	HT.BST
April						
Sat	10	Keel Boat Crane In		F Fraser		1221
Tues	20	Dinghies – Spring Race 1	1900	T Owen	T MacLeod	1830
Weds	21	Keel Boat – Spring Race 1	1900	A Pennington		2000
Sun	25	Opening Event - all	1100	J Burgis	N Reid/R MacLean	1124
Tues	27	Dinghies – Spring Race 2	1900	F Fraser	R Woodford	1309
Weds	28	Keel Boat – Spring Race 2	1900	I Kitchingham		1355
May						
Tues	04	Dinghy – Spring Race 3	1900	M Dent	D Mackintosh	1923
Weds	05	Keel Boat – Spring Race 3	1900	A Murray		2054
Tues	11	Dinghies – Spring Race 4	1900	L Gunn	B Rae	1258
Weds	12	Keel Boat – Spring Race 4	1900	J McGavin		1330
Sun	16	Open Day– Push The Boat Out	1100	D Bilsland	F Fraser	1539
Tues	18	Dinghies – Spring Race 5	1900	S Hewett	P Burnell	1710
Weds	19	Keel Boat – Spring Race 5	1900	R Woodford		1810
Sat	22	Nairn SC Regatta. MYA	TBA			0848
Sun	23	Nairn SC Regatta. MYA	TBA			0950
Tues	25	Dinghies – Spring Race 6	1900	K Laird	L Wittenham	1152
Weds	26	Keel Boat – Spring Race 6	1900	T Black		1248
June						
Tues	01	Dinghies – Spring Race 7	1900	A Gunn	W MacDonald	1800
Wed	02	Keel Boat – Spring Race 7	1900	N Cormack		1858
Sat	05	IBC Dinghy Regatta Day 1	1100	D Bilsland	A Murray	0857
Sun	06	IBC Dinghy Regatta Day 2	1100	D Bilsland	T Owen	1000
Tues	08	Dinghies – Summer Race 1&2	1900	R Dinneen	C Wells	1144
Weds	09	Keel Boat – Summer Race 1	1900	D Murray		1224
Tues	15	Dinghies – Summer Race 3&4	1900	C Anderson	D Mackintosh	1609
Wed	16	Keel Boat – Summer Race 2	1900	J Edmondson		1657
Sat	19	MYA - Nairn to CBC	TBA	J Burgis		1951
Sun	20	Moray Firth Cruiser Race.MYA	TBA	J Burgis		2100
Tues	22	Dinghies – Summer Race 5&6	1900	P Tomalin	G Johnston	2309
Weds	23	Keel Boat – Summer Race 3	1900	C Wells		1130
Sun	27	IBC Sailing Fun Day	1100	I Thorburn	R Woodford	1510
Tues	29	Dinghies – Summer Race 7&8	1900	A Gunn	J Edmondson	1649
Weds	30	Keel Boat – Summer Race 4	1900	P Burnell		1736
July						

Tues	06	Dinghies. Summer Race 9&10	1900	W MacDonald	J Edmondson	2251
Weds	07	Keel Boat – Summer Race 5	1900	I Kitchingham		2337
Sat	10	IBC Keel Boat Regatta	1100	J Burgis		1318
Sun	11	IBC Sailing – Fun Day	1100	P Tomalin	M Dent	1357
Tues	13	Dinghies. Summer Race 11&12	1900	I Ovenstone	K Laird	1516
Weds	14	Keel Boat – Summer Race 6	1900	A Pennington		1557
Sun	18	Nigg Cup	1100			1911
Tues	20	Dinghies.Summer Race 13&14	1900	J Burgis	B Rae	2131
Weds	21	Keel Boat – Summer Race 7	1900	V Pennington		2242
Sat	24	CBC Regatta - MYA			PROVISIONAL	1321
Sun	25	IBC Sailing - Fun Day	1000	T Owen	V Pennington	1410
Tues	27	Dinghies – Autumn Race 1	1900	F Fraser	A Gunn	1541
Weds	28	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 1	1900	D Murray		1623
AUGUST						
Tues	03	Dinghies – Autumn Race 2	1900	S Hewett	A Pennington	2114
Weds	04	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 2	1900	R Woodford		2210
Sat	07	CSC Regatta - MYA			PROVISIONAL	1217
Tues	10	Dinghies – Autumn Race 3	1900	A Gunn	B Rae	1421
Weds	11	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 3	1900	T MacLeod		1500
Sun	15	IBC Sailing - Funday	1100	V Pennington	A Murray	1745
Tues	17	Dinghies – Autumn Race 4	1900	J Saxby	I KItchingham	1947
Weds	18	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 4	1900	J Edmondson		2106
Sat	21	MYA 3 - Cromarty			PROVISIONAL	1225
Tues	24	Dinghies – Autumn Race 5	1900	P Burnell	J Saxby	1436
Weds	25	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 5	1900	D Finlayson		1513
Sun	29	Junior Regatta	1100	S Hewett	J Saxby	1727
Tues	31	Dinghies – Autumn Race 6	1900	R Dinneen	B Rae	1918
SEPTEMBER						
Weds	01	Keel Boat – Autumn Race 6	1900	N Cormack		2032
Sun	05	Foulis Cruise	1100	J Edmondson		1155
Tues	07	Dinghies – Autumn Race 7	1900	J Prentice	N Reid	1321
Weds	08	Keel Boat – autumn Race 7	1900	K Laird		1400
Sat	11	Black Isle CC at CSC - MYA			PROVISIONAL	1557
Sun	12	Bart's Bash	1200	D Bilsland	P Tomalin	1637
OCTOBER						
Sat	02	Keel Boat Crane Out		F Fraser		0936
NOVEMBER						
Fri	19	IBC Dinner & Prize Giving				

Racing Notes

Results will be displayed both on the board in the OOD office and on the club's Facebook site.

It is the boat that is entered in a race. But as a variance with Appendix A the Club will allow one change of boat during a Season.

Discards will be allowed based on the number of races completed as follows:
A four race (or fewer) series = no discard
A five or six race series = 1 discard
A seven to thirteen race series = 2 discards
A fourteen race series = 4 discards

Scoring events for the Club Championships in 2021 are as follows:
Dinghies – All evening series, Nigg Cup and Regatta.
Keel boats – All evening series, Moray Firth Cruiser Race and Regatta.

Explanation of Course Card

Courses are designed to be readily shortened if necessary, to ensure a result is obtained within the time limit.

It is the Race Officer's sole decision whether to shorten a race. To help in making this decision, boats should be formally timed at key marks during the course of the race. Tidal conditions and weather changes for the day should also be taken into account.

If in doubt, it is preferable to shorten a race and obtain a result, than to not make a decision to shorten and run out of time.

Race Mark Identification

Marks 1 to 8.

Yellow and Red Drums bearing the appropriate number.

Mark X.

Yellow Sewer Outfall Buoy situated off Rosskeen Bridge. It bears no Identification but is lit.

Mark A

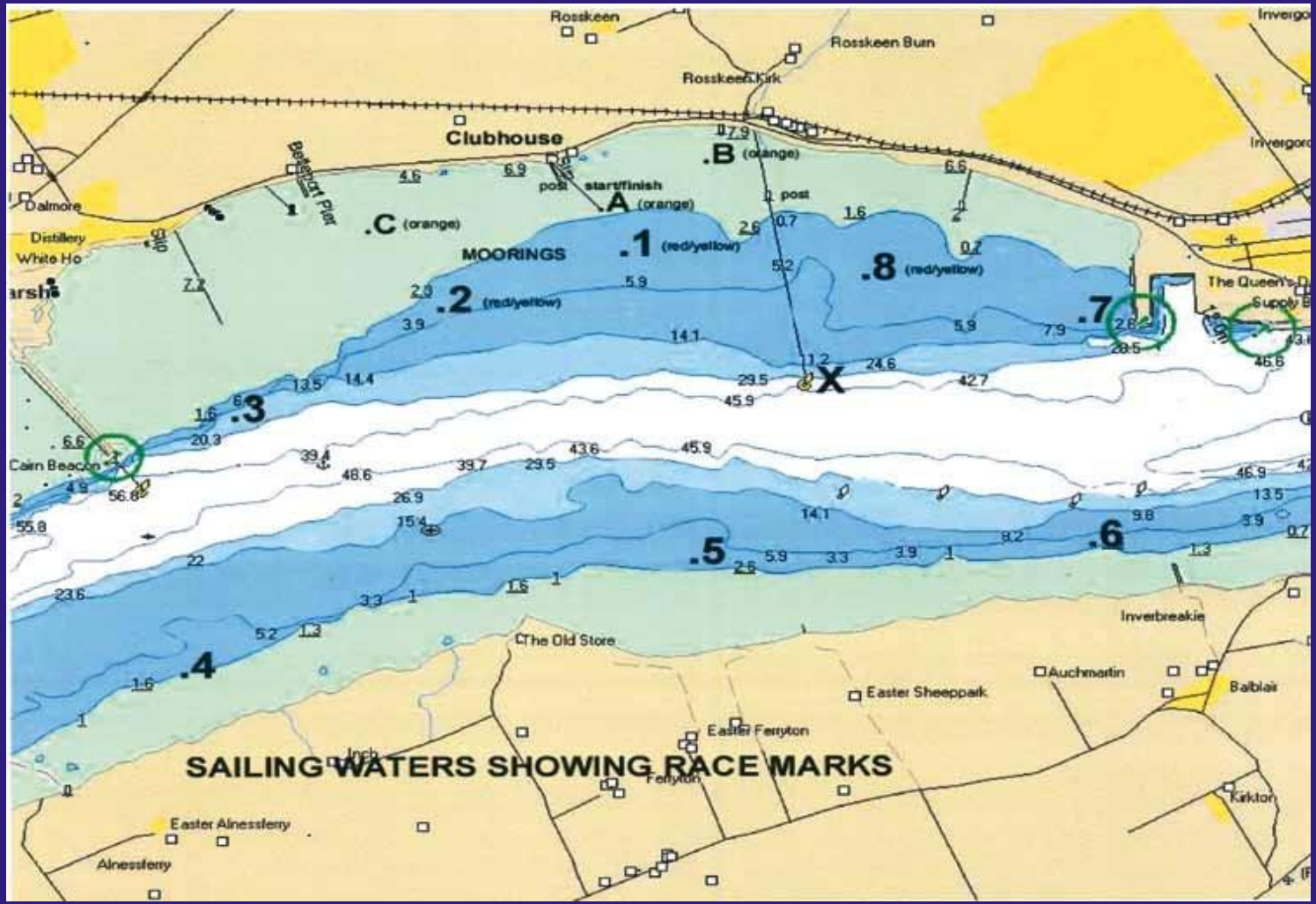
Is the Dinghy start mark and is an Orange Buoy marked A.

Marks B & C.

Will be Orange or Yellow buoys dropped by the safety boat before the race. They will be positioned to give the best racing to suit the wind conditions.

No inner distance mark will be used for start or finish lines.

Race Mark Positions. Approximate positions are shown on the Chart on the next page of this booklet.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Clubhouse
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post
start/finish
.A (orange)
post
.C (orange)
MOORINGS
.1 (red/yellow)
.2 (red/yellow)
.8 (red/yellow)
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.3
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Dalmore
Distillery
White Ho
Cairn Beacon
The Old Store
Easter Sheeppark
Auchmartin
Balblair
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SAILING WATERS SHOWING RACE MARKS

DINGHY COURSE CARD

The courses listed below are suggestions for guidance, the OOD is encouraged to select or make up a course that will give the best racing for the wind direction.

The number of laps should not be set, the race should continue until the OOD stops racing by displaying flag board "S". Boats will then finish when they next pass the Start/Finish mark.

Courses starting westward

1	Ap 2p 8p Ap
2	Ap Bp 8p Ap
3	Ap 2p 1p Ap
4	Ap Bp 1p Ap
5	Ap 2p Xp Ap
6	Ap Bp Xp Ap
7	Ap 2p 5p 8p Ap 2p 8p Ap
8	Ap Bp 5p 8p Ap Bp 8p Ap
9	Ap then windward/leeward using 2p 8p
10	Ap then windward/leeward using Bp 8p

Course starting eastward

11	As 8s 2s As
12	As Bs 2s As
13	As 8s 1s As
14	As Bs 1s As
15	As 7s Xs As
16	As Bs Xs As
17	As 8s 5s 2s As 8s 2s As
18	As Bs 5s 2s As Bs 2s As
19	As then windward/leeward using 8s – 2s
20	As then windward/leeward using Bs – 2s

Mark A will be the Orange Buoy Marked A

Marks B and C will be drop buoys which, if required, will be positioned by the rescue boat, before the race starts, to allow best courses to be set.

KEELBOAT COURSE CARD

Courses Starting Westward

1. 1p 3p Xp 1s 8s 5s 3s 1s Xp 8p 1p

2. 1p 2p 5p 7p 1p Xp 8p 1p 2p 5p 7p 1p Xp 8p 1p

3. 1p 3p 5p 2p 4p 8p 1p 3p 5p 2p 4p 8p 1p

4. 1p 4p 6p 7p 1p 5s 4s 3s 1s

5. 1p 2p Xs 5p 7p Xs 1p 2p 5p 7p Xs 1p

6. 1p 4s 2p 3p Xp 1s 8p 1p 4s 2p 3p Xp 1s 8p 1p

A. 1p 2p 6p Nigg East s, Buss Bank s, Newhall s, 1p

B. 1p 4p 6p Nigg East p, Nigg West p, Xs 1p

C. 1p 3p 5p 7s Newhall p, Nigg West p, 6s 1p

D. Light Wind from West, 1p 2p 1s 8s 1p 2p 1s

Course Starting Eastward

7. 1s 8s 5p 6p 7p 1s 8s 5p 6p 7p 1p

8. 1s 7s 5s 2s Xp 8p 1p 7s 5s 2s Xp 8p 1p

9. 1s 6s 5s 8p 2s 1s 6s 5s 8p 2s 1s

10. 1s 7s 4p 5p 2s 1s 8s Xs 1p 4p 5p 2s 1s

11. 1s 8s Xs 2s 1s 5p 7p 1s 8s Xs 2s 1s 5p 7p 1p

12. 1s 6p 7p 1p 5s 3s 1s 6p 7p 1p 5s 2s 1s

E. 1s 6p Nigg East s, Buss Bank s, Newhall s, Xs 1p

F. 1s 6p 7s Nigg East p, Nigg West p, Xs 1p

G. 1s 8s 6p Newhall p, Nigg West p, 6s 1p

H. Light Wind from East 1s 8p 1p 2p 1s 8p 1p

Note: At the preparatory signal [4 minutes] all boats must be afloat and off the moorings.

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